

(b) whether the number of displaced persons are yet to be provided with employment there; and

(c) the other steps taken by the government to rehabilitate the displaced families so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) 239.

(b) The number of persons to be recruited depends on the needs of the project and the candidates, meeting the job requirements. Hence, it is not expected that members representing every one of the displaced families will be provided with employment. Presently there are 781 displaced persons (families) who have not been provided with employment.

(c) A sum of Rs. 140.84 lakhs has been placed at the disposal of government of Orissa for rehabilitation measures for the displaced families.

Free Trade Zones

2885. SHRI V. S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Free Trade Zones functioning in the country as on date;

(b) the achievements made by them during the last three years;

(c) whether the Union Government propose to set up more such zones; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) There are six Export

Processing Zones functioning in the country at Kandla, Bombay, Maras, Cochin, Nodia and Falta. The seventh zone at Visakhapatnam is under implementation.

(b) The export performance of the zones during the last three years is as below:-

<i>Year</i>	<i>Exports (Rs. Crores)</i>
1988-89	516.52
1989-90	732.08
1990-91	982.72

(c) There is no proposal at present to set up more such Zones.

(d) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Compensation to States for Loss of Revenue Due to Ban on Recovery of Cess on Coal

2886. SHRI SUKDEO PASWAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ninth Finance Commission had recommended for compensating the loss of revenue suffered by States due to ban on the recovery of cess on coal;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (c). Do not arise.